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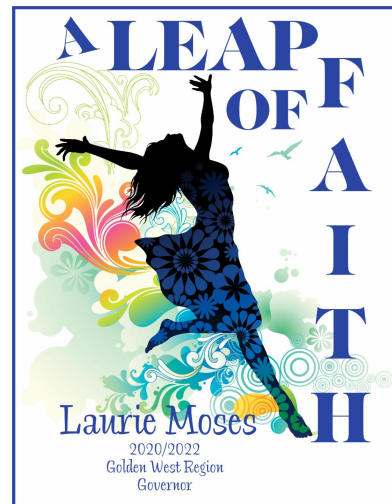
HAPPY NEW YEAR *Soroptimists!*

From Governor Laurie Moses

YAY! We made it through 2020!

I apologize for being tardy in getting this news-blast out to all of you but while I am currently healthy, many members of my family have been hit by Covid...making it so that I've had more responsibilities than usual in my business. However, everyone has now recovered and I am hitting the ground running.

I hope everyone else had a healthy and happy holiday season and I am truly hoping to see your smiling faces very soon...like the upcoming Region **"Come as you are"** zoom meeting on **Wednesday, January 13th @ 7:00pm AZ time and 6:00pm CA time**. Our subject of discussion will be **"Virtual Recruitment"** and our Membership Pillar DONA Lori Reed will be our guest presenter. All members are welcome and encouraged to join us. This meeting usually lasts a little under an hour.



We have also been very fortunate to have other Pillars in our Region hold tutorials, discussions and presentations via Zoom on all sorts of topics that can help improve your club's member experiences and program successes from LYDA & DIBI training to Public Awareness and Membership. We are also hoping to put together some virtual fundraising tutorials very soon as well. So be sure to **constantly check the region calendar on our website** as well as this monthly news e-blast for upcoming programs to benefit your clubs.

Don't forget the **February 1st deadline** for all **"Live Your Dream Award"** submissions to be turned into your District committee members. **Contact information can be found on the Region Website under Club Resources/Region Documents Leadership Directory** which is password protected.

Also due on **February 1st**, is your final submission of the **"Healthy Club Online Survey"** which is accessed through a link on the homepage of our website. One survey should be completed by each club and using the Healthy Club Worksheet that you filled out in September for your District Director can be really helpful. Contact your District Director if you have any questions.

Your Golden West Region Board will be meeting on January 16th to make a final decision on whether to have a **"Hybrid" Spring Conference** (In person AND Virtual) or just a **"Virtual" Spring Conference** in May 2021. Although nothing compares with being able to gather in person with each other, the safety and well-being of our members is of the utmost importance. Please be patient as we make this very difficult decision.

Wishing you a happy, healthy and successful 2021!

Governor Laurie

Thank you to all the clubs who participated in the Governor's "Club Roadmap Challenge". Selected Roadmaps will be featured on Facebook and the winner will be announced at the Region Spring Conference.



1. Recommit to the next "BIG Goal" – invest in the dreams of half a million women and girls through access to education in next decade.
2. Ensure that clubs follow the rules associated with non-profit status that Soroptimist membership affords us.
3. Encourage clubs to build a solid base of continuous and expanding membership while remaining civil, non-political and inclusive.
4. Engage all members and be an administrative support system of all Soroptimist clubs.
5. Assist and motivate clubs in their fundraising and public awareness efforts in order to achieve increased collective impact, The BIG Goal, and service to more women and girls.

SI Yucca Valley
SI Palm Desert
SI Desert Tucson
SI San Tans
SI Twentynine Palms
SI Saguaro Foothills
SI Phoenix
SI Las Cruces
SI Big Bear Valley
SI Riverside
SI Idyllwild
SI Moreno Valley
SI Palm Springs

If your club submitted a "Roadmap" and you do not see it listed above, please let Governor Laurie know ASAP!



"Dream Maker" pins for 2020 are still available!

Golden West Region's Annual Fundraising Campaign!
Every penny of your \$100 donation goes directly to cash awards for the 2021 region "Live Your Dream" Award finalists.
PLUS, one of these beautiful pins will be mailed to you!

Click on the storefront link below and you'll be taken to the GWR Website **"Storefront"** to purchase yours.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Don't forget to join us **Wed, January 13th at 6:00pm (CA time) 7:00pm (AZ & NM time)** for our **"Come As You Are"** Region ZOOM meeting.

We will be featuring a training and discussion about **"Virtual Recruitment"** with special guests DONA Lori Reed, Membership Chair.

"Come As You Are" meetings take place on the **2nd Wednesday of each month**, so grab your "favorite" beverage and join us. **Links** to meetings will be listed on the region website: www.goldenwestregion.org

WANTED:

A few good women...
to run for the **NOMINATING COMMITTEE** in your District.

Please fill out the nomination form below for the *2021-2023 Nominating Committee* for yourself or someone you wish to nominate (be sure to get her permission) and return no later than **January 15th, 2021** to **Governor Laurie:**

LaurieM.gwr@gmail.com

[Nomination Form](#)

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